

NEBRASKA SUPREME COURT



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The Judicial Resources Commission has added a third item to its agenda for its meeting to be held on April 11, 2006. The Judicial Resources Commission will hold a public hearing pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 24-1204 to determine the following:

- (1) Whether, based on the judicial workload statistics, a judicial vacancy exists in the office of county judge of the 3rd Judicial District, due to the retirement of the Honorable Jack B. Lindner, effective April 30, 2006, and make a recommendation to the Supreme Court as to the principal place of office of said vacancy.
- (2) Whether, based on the judicial workload statistics, a judicial vacancy exists in the office of district judge of the 8th Judicial District, due to the retirement of the Honorable Ronald D. Olberding, effective April 30, 2006, and make a recommendation to the Supreme Court as to the principal place of office of said vacancy.
- (3) Whether a judicial vacancy exists in the office of juvenile judge of the Separate Juvenile Court of Lancaster County, due to the retirement of the Honorable Tom Dawson, effective June 1, 2006.

The hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, April 11, 2006, at 1:30 p.m., central time. The hearing will be held via video conferencing from the State Capitol Building, Room 1525, Lincoln, Nebraska, and will include participation from the Panhandle Learning Center, 4502 Ave. I, High Plains Room, Scottsbluff, Nebraska, and from the State Office Building, Room 207, Second Floor, 1313 Farnam Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

The Commission makes its determination based on weighted caseloads, adequate access to the courts by litigants, population, judicial duties, travel time and other factors necessary to assure efficiency and service of the court system.

Following the hearing, the commission will make a recommendation to the Legislature of their determination.

Commission members are:

Supreme Court Justice Michael McCormack,
Chairperson

Alan L. Brodbeck, O'Neill
Thomas B. Dawson, Lincoln
Thomas F. Hoarty, Omaha
Jolanda J. Kuzma, Lincoln
Jane Morgan, Gordon
Gerald E. Moran, Omaha
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Any member of the public is entitled to attend the Nebraska Judicial Resources Commission hearing in Room 1525 of the State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska, and present, either orally or in writing, any pertinent information concerning the existence of a judicial vacancy. If anyone wishes to present written material at the hearing, a copy of such material should be furnished to the Chairperson at least one week prior to the hearing.

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